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In re Patent Application of:
Kaoru KOIKE

Application No.: 10/526,359

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Art Unit: 2856

For: ALIGNMENT METHOD, ALIGNMENT
SUBSTRATE, PRODUCTION METHOD OF
ALIGNMENT SUBSTRATE, EXPOSURE
METHOD, EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND
PRODUCTION METHOD OF MASK

Examiner: Not Assigned Yet

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S.
patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

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| AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER | | | | Docket No. SON-2811 | |
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| Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. | | | | | |
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